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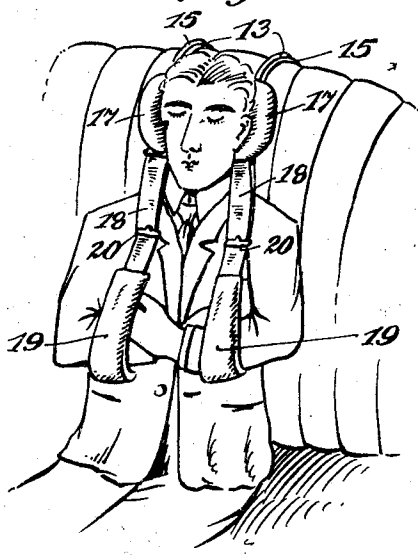


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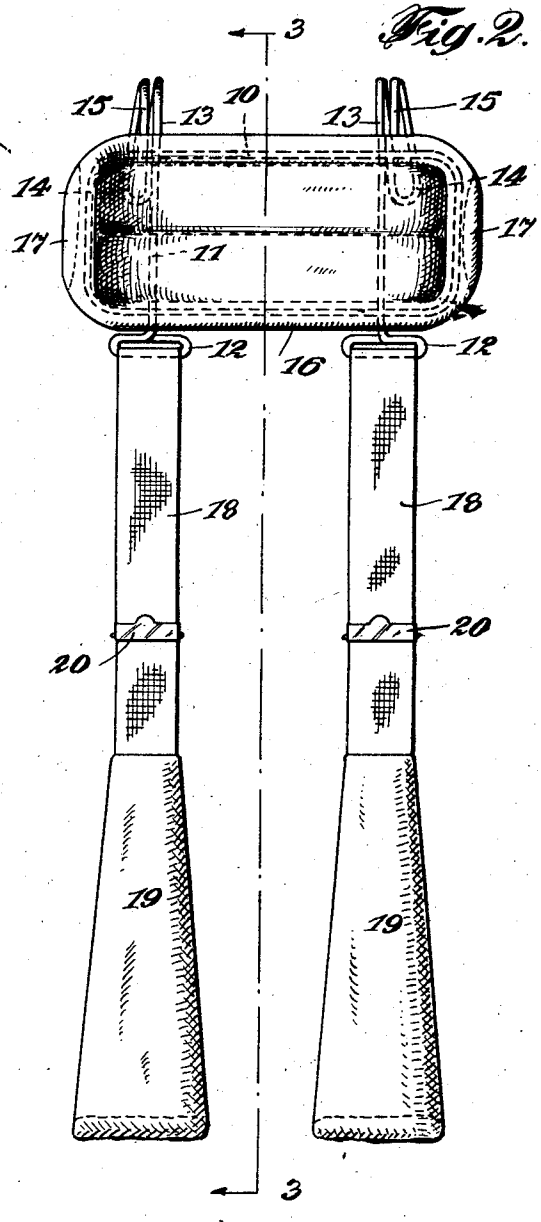


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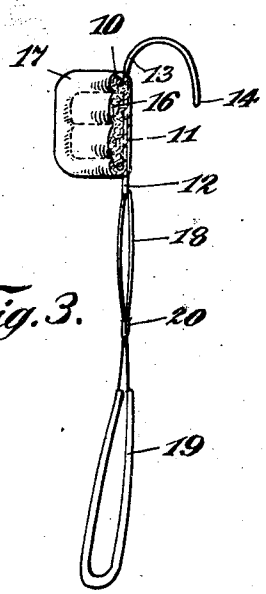
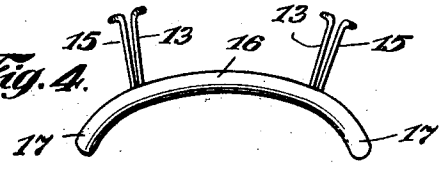


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, SAMUEL WIEDER and ELI MULLER, citizens, respectively, of Republic of Esthonia and United States of America, residing at Highland Falls, county of Orange, and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Supporting Rests, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact specification.

Our invention relates to supporting rests and refers particularly to devices suitable for resting the head and arms of the user.

The backs of chairs and car seats, although they may be higher than the head of an occupant, are uncomfortable, especially when the occupant is desirous of sleeping while seated therein.

This is especially true with regard to car seats, as the irregular movement of the train, due to starting and stopping and to rapid speed around curves, is liable to cause the head of a passenger to be rapidly moved to and fro, causing discomfort and making sleep difficult and, at times, impossible.

Another inconvenient feature of many chairs and seats is the absence of proper arm rests; such rests, if present at all, being so positioned as not to afford a comfortable support for the arms of the occupant whether he be awake or asleep.

Further, when the occupant of a chair, and especially of the seat of a car, is asleep, he has no protection against thieves, who frequently find an opportunity for abstracting articles from the pockets of such sleeping persons.

Our device overcomes the mentioned and other inconvenient attributes of the ordinary chair and seat back and presents a portable means, easily applied to chair and seat backs converting them into comfortable head and arm rests with practical protection against the efforts of thieves even when the user is asleep.

It is to be noted that the head of a user of our device can not be accidentally moved to and fro, due to the sector-form of the head rest; further that the arm supports can be raised or lowered at will and will support the arms at any desired position, as for reading, or otherwise; and that the arms can be crossed and supported in a position making it practically impossible for a thief to remove articles from the coat pockets of the user.

Our device, therefore, presents an effective, inexpensive, light, durable and portable means for the comfort and protection of its user.

In the accompanying drawings, illustrating one form of the device of our invention, similar parts are designated by similar numerals.

Figure 1 is a view showing one form of our device as applied to a seat back and in use by an occupant.

Figure 2 is a front view of the device of Figure 1, partly in section for purposes of clear explanation.

Figure 3 is a cross-section through the line 3—3 of Figure 2.

Figure 4 is a top view of the device.

The particular form of the device of our invention, shown in the accompanying drawings, comprises a frame-work consisting of the strong rod 10, which is bent into a somewhat rectangular shape with its two end portions bent forwardly to form a sector-like member. Fixedly attached to the frame rod 10, by soldering, or otherwise, are two rods 11, 11, the lower extremity 12 of each of which is bent into a loop and the upper extremity 13 of which is bent into a hook 14 and then reversed upon itself 15 to form a double strand hook.

The frame formed of the rods 10, 11, 11 is then padded and covered with leather, or other material, in order to form a head rest having the rear 16 and the two forwardly extended end portions 17, 17.

Passing through each loop 12 is a double strap 18, extended into a loop 19, the length of the strap element being changed and fixed by a buckle 20.

The operation of the device is as follows:—

The hooks 14, 14 are placed over the black of a chair, or car seat, the head of the user positioned upon the head support and his arms passed through the loops 19, 19.

It is evident that the device will promote the comfort of the user, as his head will be supported upon the back and sides of the head support, thus preventing its sudden side movement and, further, that the arms may be placed and maintained in a comfortable position, these positions being particularly desirable when the user is asleep.

A further advantage of our device is evident upon a consideration of Figure 1, because, upon positioning the arms as indicated therein, it is particularly impossible

for a thief to extract anything from the inside coat pockets of the user, the device thus operating as a protection to the property of the user, even if he be asleep.

It will be seen from the foregoing that our device possesses the valuable properties of both comfort and protection to its user.

We do not limit ourselves to the particular size, shape, number, arrangement, or material, of parts, as shown and described, as these are given simply as a means for clearly explaining our invention.

What we claim is:—

In a rest support, in combination, a sector shaped metallic frame, cushion means encompassing the frame, two metallic members carried by the frame, their upper portions being extended into hooks above the sector shaped frame capable of placement over a chair back and their lower portions being bent to form loops, a strap attached to each loop having an arm supporting loop at its lower extremity and means for maintaining the straps in predetermined lengths.

Signed at New York city, in the county of New York and State of New York this 7th day of July, 1924.

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